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Glancing Over World Events

What is it that impels dictators to enter into such mad enterprises as Mussolini and Hitler have entered into, as other dictators have before them? Is it ambition or dementia praecox with its delusions of grandeur? Sometimes one or the other but there is something inherent in the dictatorship that drives them on. If one man can seize absolute power in a country, some other man can also. He cannot afford to be superseded for supercession means death or exile. To such a man the loss of power is in itself, the loss of everything. He guards jealously his power or his popularity. To that end he seizes control of the press and all other sources of publicity. He establishes a system of espionage. He resorts to petty tyrannies. When in spite or because of his despotism, he sees or senses popular disaffection, he resorts to war as a means of distraction from domestic difficulties or to enhance the glory of his regime by military conquests. Civil insurgencies must cease when patriotism calls. Control of the agencies of publicity gives him power to make patriots believe it a righteous war, and control of the army, navy, police and secret service impresses on the unbelieving the necessity for caution. Military successes will give him a new lease. No dog may bark at him then. But retreats from Moscow starts the murmuring in the Directorate, defeat at Leipsig means Elbe, and Waterloo spells St. Helena.

Government by the people has its disadvantages but it is vastly superior to government by one man, be he king by heredity or upstart like Mussolini or Hitler. Roosevelt ousts Hoover, but he does not exile him as Stalin did Trotsky. King ousts Bennett but doesn't throw him into prison, nor does he shoot former friends whom he suspects of being immoral or dangerous, as Hitler shot seventy-seven in a night of "purging." Things like this were done in England three hundred years ago when she was struggling toward freedom. If she ever reverts, it will be under a dictatorship.

During the federal election campaign, the Reconstruction party boasted that it had no campaign fund. A printing firm is now suing two of the officers in an endeavor to secure payment of a printing bill of over eight thousand dollars.

The new attitude of the Canadian Government towards oil sanctions is embarrassing to the League of Nations and gives aid and comfort to Italy. What Mr. Lapointe says in effect is "We want the League to understand we still support the resolution but we want Italy to understand we did not move it. We uphold the motion but repudiate the mover."

The theory that Dr. Riddell was carrying out the wishes of the late government instead of the new, will not hold against the fact that he knew that the party to which he belonged and which had made him permanent advisor had been returned to power. It is inconceivable that he would do anything to embarrass Mr. King and jeopardize his own position nor is it likely he would take an important step at Geneva without

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DECEMBER BRIDE-ELECT SHOWERED WITH GIFTS

Misses Edna McPherson and Joyce Clark were joint hostesses at a bridal shower held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. McPherson on Saturday, December 14th, at 3 o'clock, in honor of Miss Doris Simington, December bride-elect. Twenty guests were present. Misses Simington and Peterson entertained with musical selections. During a dainty lunch, served by the hostesses, a toast was proposed by Miss K. McPherson to the bride. Following luncheon, gifts from the guests were presented to the guest of honor in a gayly decorated basket.

Elk Pucksters Win and Lose Opening Hockey Contests

Lethbridge Leafs Defeat Locals 5-2 in Exhibition Tilt; Elks Win Opening Foothills League Contest

Hockey season opened in Vulcan on Friday evening last when the 1935-36 edition of the Vulcan Elks played an exhibition tilt with the Lethbridge Maple Leafs. The locals lost this game 5-2. But they won the next game by the same score. On Monday evening the Foothills league opened officially throughout the territory. Vulcan had one of the opening games on home ice, the Macleod Artics being their opponents. Ice for both games was very fast and added to the pleasure of the sport. Good crowds attended both games.

Lethbridge 5—Vulcan 2
Tasting their first bite of hockey this winter season, the Vulcan Elks came up against strong opposition when they chose as their opponents for the opening game the Maple Leafs of Lethbridge.

Although the locals played good on the open ice they seemed puzzled as to what to do when around the nets and their play lacked finish. The south city boys had played several games already this season and had the advantage of experience and practice in their favor. However, with the exception of the finished style of the visitors, there was little choice about the playing ability of both teams. The first two periods of the contest were ragged affairs with about even number of shots on each goal. The final frame was the best of the game. In this finale the Elks rushed the Lethbridge players with offensive play that kept the rubber within the visiting territory all the twenty minutes. The Elks showed up good in the final period and had the edge of play, giving the spectators a slight taste of what they could produce, as was evidenced on Monday evening in the league opening. The summary of the game is given below and tells the story of the game Friday evening in compact form.

Lethbridge—Storie; McMann, Dolighan; Wilson, McDowell, Anderson; Wallis, J. Bruchet, G. Bruchet, Holt.
Vulcan—Mainland; Laroche, D. Thomas; Harper, McCartney, McCrae; Gourlay, N. Thomas, Bastin, A. Latiff; Pedersen, D. Latiff, Thompson.

Referee—Ed. Deman.
First period—1, Lethbridge, Anderson, 9:00; 2, Lethbridge, Dolighan, 10:00; 3, Lethbridge, McMann (Holt) 16:00.

Second Period—4, Lethbridge, McDowell (Anderson) 11:00.
Third period—5, Lethbridge, Anderson, 6:00; 6, Vulcan, McCartney (Gourlay) 11:00; 7, Vulcan, McCrae (McCrae) 15:00.

Penalties
First period—Holt 2 min.
Second period—Wilson (2); Gourlay (3); J. Bruchet (2). All 2 min.
Third period—G. Bruchet, Dolighan, LaRoche, Wilson. All 2 mins.

Macleod Artics 2—Vulcan 5
In the opening Foothills league, played at the Vulcan arena Monday evening the local Elks reversed the Friday night's score on the Macleod Artics and won the contest. It was a thrilling game of fast pace throughout the entire sixty minutes that pleased the spectators. The Vulcans had their line-up somewhat changed from the Friday game and they seemed to click better with plays around the opponents net. Both teams tried hard to win the game and it is conceded that the best team won.

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST. ANDREW CHURCH

As in the past there will be Midnight Mass at St. Andrew's church on Christmas Eve. All are cordially invited to attend. On Christmas morning there will be two consecutive Masses at 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. for those who are unable to come to the midnight service.

The Reverend Father Hartman, C.S.B., of Calgary will officiate at these services, and thus enable Father Cunningham to have similar services at Champion.

LOCAL GROUP ORGANIZE TO ASSIST BIBLE SOCIETY

Mr. E. S. Frost, treasurer of the South Alberta Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society was the guest speaker at the morning service in the United Church, and in the evening at the Church of Christ, Sunday last. Mr. Frost outlined the aim of the Society and its dependence upon free will offerings, for the circulation of the scriptures through the world.

At the close of the evening service, Mr. McPherson, and Mr. McAskill, joined Mr. Hansell and Mr. Frost in the work of reorganizing in Vulcan for the annual canvass.

Mr. Hansell acted as chairman, calling upon Mr. McPherson for a few brief remarks. By vote Mr. McAskill and Mr. Deans were appointed to continue as President and secretary-treasurer, for the ensuing year. Mr. McAskill then took the chair. A motion was made that the town be canvassed on behalf of the society.

A number of canvassers volunteered to co-operate with the others from the United Church.

The executive appeals to the citizens of the town to be prepared to meet these volunteer workers with a smile and a contribution worthy of the cause, especially at this season of the year.

The canvass will take place between Christmas and the New Year.

LOCAL ITEMS

Robert Brown left recently for Victoria, B.C. where he will spend the winter months.

Jerry Fuller and his orchestra will play for a dance at Champion on Monday night, December 23rd. Vulcan dancers are invited to attend.

The Buffalo school Christmas concert and dance will be held on Friday, December 20th. Will the ladies please bring lunch.

Vulcan branch of the Canadian Legion announce by advertisement in this issue a Christmas Eve carnival dance in the Memorial hall on December 24th. Len Davis and his Arcadians have been engaged for the occasion.

The ladies of the C.W.L. of St. Andrew's church offer sincere thanks to all those who so kindly lent their patronage and helped to make the tea and bake sale held last Saturday such a success. The Christmas cake was won by Mrs. Thoms who held ticket No. 35.

L. Johnson, member of the staff of the Vulcan branch Canadian Bank of Commerce, was called to Lethbridge during the week end upon the sudden illness of his father, J. P. Johnson of Taber. His father died late Sunday evening following a serious operation. Friends offer sympathy to one of our bereaved citizens.

Last night, Wednesday, the annual Christmas tree entertainment of the Sunday school of the Vulcan United church was held in the church auditorium. The program was in charge of the junior department of the Sunday school, who had arranged many pleasing items for presentation. The Christmas tree was decorated with attractive trimmings and Santa Claus made his appearance to distribute bags of goodies to the children.

The "B & B" outfit of the C.P.R. are in the Vulcan yards this week making extensive repairs to the station and freight sheds. The entire interior of the station is being renovated with woodwork and wall receiving an application of paint. The living quarters are being completely repaired. The platform is also being repaired.

Discher's Christmas sale continues until December 24th and special posters have been printed this week listing more bargains in this selling event. As with the last poster, Mr. Discher makes an offer of special interest to persons finding the inserted word Ada on the poster. Mrs. Frank Maiden was the winner of the goods offered for the finding of the Ida on the last poster. She made claim of the prize on Saturday last and returned the advertisement to the store where it is now on display.

BANQUET TENDERED REV. HANSELL, M. P.

About 150 citizens sat down at a citizens' banquet held in the Oddfellows' hall last week in honor of one of our local residents, Mr. E. G. Hansell, M.P. for the Macleod Constituency upon his departure for Ottawa to attend Parliament which is expected to open in January.

Mr. J. Scobbie, president of the local Social Credit group, acted as master of ceremonies and after the chairman's remarks, suitable to the occasion, called upon the various speakers of the evening.

Mr. Hay of the Highland Social Credit group was the first speaker to propose a toast to the Federal Government and wish our newly elected Social Credit member of parliament the best of success. Rev. McPherson of the United Church replied to the toast pointing out that the duties of all members should be of much wider interests than those directly related to his own particular constituency.

Mr. J. Morley proposed a toast to the Alberta Government pointing out the great confidence the people had in their Premier and his Cabinet to administer the affairs of one of the richest geographical areas in the world.

Rev. Peter Dawson, member of the Alberta Legislature, in replying to the toast pointed out that the task of the Government was one of moral responsibility as well as economic and financial.

Mr. Fred Anderson proposed a toast to the Town of Vulcan with very pithy and suitable remarks, and Councilor Dyce Allan likewise responded and extended to our member, the best wishes of the community.

Dr. G. M. Carson then proposed a toast to Mr. Hansell. He said he had known our member in a more or less intimate way since Mr. Hansell took up residence here having talked with him on many occasions on subjects of national and international importance and felt that the member could well represent the people at Ottawa. Mr. Hansell, in replying, thanked the speakers for their kind remarks and good wishes. He also made special mention of his appreciation to his supporters, campaign committee and financial agent. Speaker then gave a comprehensive resume of the Federal members' caucus at Edmonton pointing out the fine calibre of the men they had elected to Parliament from Alberta. He called upon the people to be patient, to hold together and not be tossed about by every wind of criticism which tended to hinder the progress of the government.

Mr. Peter Dawson rendered two fine solos as did Miss Jean Warden. The young men's quartet sang and Miss Mae Morley gave two numerous recitations. The evening was well filled with the usual spice of after-dinner speeches. The farewell banquet closed by a toast to the King and the National anthem.

Mr. Hansell informs the Advocate that he expects to leave for the East about the middle of January.

Last call for Personal Greeting cards. Have yours printed at The Vulcan Advocate before it is too late. Twenty-four hour service on a number of exclusive designs.

In connection with the Elks' Kidnies' draw at the Vulcan theatre on Tuesday evening, Mrs. G. C. Collier was present and was the lucky winner of \$15.00, the first sum drawn for. If Mr. W. J. Mills had been present he would have been the winner of the \$10.00 sum offered as the second prize. This ten dollars will be carried over until next week and will be added to the prize of Tuesday evening to make a total sum of \$20.00. At the show one week ago last Tuesday, Mrs. Harry Hanson of Kirkcaldy was the lucky winner of the \$25.00 sum for the first draw. She was not in the theatre at the time of the draw but happened to be present in the waiting line to gain admittance to the second show. The award was made by the management of the theatre after substantial evidence had been obtained as to her presence outside the building.

Program by United Church Junior Choir Pleasing Affair

UNITED CHURCH SENIOR CHOIR CANTATA THIS SUNDAY

A special musical service will be given on Sunday evening next at 7:30 when the senior choir will present selections from the cantata "The Angelic Choir."

The Rev. P. G. McPherson will bring the message of Christmas by word leading up to each selection sung by the choir who will present the following numbers: chorus "Hark What Music Fills the Sky," "Good Tidings of Great Joy," "Bethlehem," solo by Mrs. Allred, "Mary's Manger Song," solo by Miss Hartwig, "Hail, The Wondrous Stranger"; final chorus by the choir "Hail to the Lord's Anointed," during which the Misses M. Lebeau and R. Hartwig will sing a duet.

Members of the Vulcan Symphony Orchestra will assist in the accompaniment of the cantata numbers.

Christmas carols will also be sung, and, by special request, Miss Hartwig will sing "The Holy City."

LARGE BARN J. LUCAS' FARM DESTROYED BY FIRE

Early Saturday morning, December 7th, the large barn on the farm of John H. Lucas, 15 miles east of Vulcan in the Reid Hill territory was completely destroyed by fire. Flames were first noticed issuing from the building shortly after midnight and immediately alarm was made by telephone to nearby neighbours who quickly responded to the call for assistance and turned out to form a bucket brigade that was material in saving a machine shed and other buildings adjoining the barn. Three head of cattle, a fine team of horses, two saddle horses, and a number of hogs perished in the flames. Some 12 head of steers, 9 calves and a milk cow were rescued from the building. Besides the loss of stock, a loss of a winter's storage of feed in the loft was also suffered by the owner, as well as 15 sets of harness and some machinery.

Loss of property totalled to nearly \$7,000. The building was partly covered by insurance. Cause of the fire is unknown.

LOCAL ITEMS

Now is the time to pay your subscription to The Vulcan Advocate. Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Hickman left recently for Oxford Junction, Nova Scotia, where they will visit with relatives for the winter months.

The first junior hockey game of the season is being played in the Vulcan arena this Thursday evening. The Vulcan Junior Elks are opposing the Calgary Radios in this first contest. A report of the game will be given next week.

Staging of the play "The Private Secretary," by the Vulcan Young People's Society this Thursday evening was postponed due to one of the members of the cast being called away on the death of a parent. Arrangements for another date have not been made yet but will be announced at a later date.

Youth will have its fling on Friday evening for the occasion is the annual Vulcan High School dance. Bateman's orchestra of Lethbridge have been engaged to provide music and the students assure everyone a real good time. A record attendance is expected, although short notice was given for the holding of the event. The dance will be held in the I.O.O.F. hall.

A regular meeting of the Vulcan Young Men's British-Israel Federation was held last Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Carson block. Rev. E. G. Hansell, chaplain of the group, led a very interesting discussion on the various parts of the Bible, explaining different passages and answering many questions asked by the members of the organization. All enjoyed this discussion. Next Sunday, Jack Anderson, librarian of the group will speak on "The Two Great Witnesses." An invitation is extended to all interested.

Juniors Present Cantata "Chimes of the Holy Night," Short Skit "The Professor's Suit," Included on Programme

A large crowd greeted the Junior Choir of the United Church on Friday evening, December 13th, in the auditorium of the church, when they presented the cantata "Chimes of the Holy Night" and a program of varied entertainment. The seating capacity of the building was crammed to overflowing by an audience that showed much appreciation of the endeavors of the young people by heartily applauding each number. Rev. McPherson acted as chairman.

Decked out in new surplises, the choir looked very neat against a stage setting in keeping with the Christmas season. The cantata was presented as the last number on the program. Chimes of the Holy Night told a story in melody and verse of the happenings on the Holy Night, following the shepherds across the desert to the manger in a barn of Bethlehem and offering praise in song. The cantata opened with the anthem "Christmas Bells Are Ringing," by the entire choir, followed by "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains," as an alto solo by Miss Marie Clarkson. Other songs included were, in order of presentation: "But Thou Bethlehem" by the entire chorus, "Earth's Weary Waiting Done," as an alto and soprano duet by the Ulrich sisters; "In the Watches of the Night," as a soprano solo by little Miss Hawkins; "Good Tidings," by the choir; "Let Us Go Even Unto Bethlehem," as a solo by Ronnie Marshall; "Jesus Our Lord," soprano duet by Misses Collier and Atkinson; "The Star in the Eastern Sky" soprano solo by Miss Joyce Robson. As a finale chorus the choir sang "The Lord is Born Today."

As the opening number on the program, the McPherson sisters, trio played as a musical selection "A Little Love, A Little Kiss." Miss Frances Hawkins, portraying a milkmaid in gay costume with brightly decorated milk pail and stool, sang "Maggie," a number that was greatly enjoyed by the audience. Then followed a short skit entitled "The Professor's Suit." It was a story of the worries of an absent-minded professor, whose family discover all his suits in his room and he absent, apparently to his class room lecture. The timely arrival of a clothier to collect for the professor's new suit saves the situation. This was a laugh provoking item on the program. In the cast were Misses Ulrich and Clarkson and S. Campbell.

Miss Lila Jean Clarkson, attired in costume for a frolic in the snow, sang "The Snowman." She has a true, sweet voice and this selection was very pleasing.

"The Wedding of the Painted Dolls" was a song with characters in costume that portrayed such people in folk-lore as Little Red Riding Hood, Betsy Brown, The Jumping Jack, Mother Doll, a Bride and Groom with their bridesmaids and flower girls, minister and many others. The chorus, accompanied by Mrs. Campbell at the piano, provided the atmosphere for this item. The McPherson trio supplemented by Mr. R. E. Pedersen, with the violin, played "Love Sends a Little Gift of Roses."

Following the program, votes of thanks were extended to the orchestra and the audience. Mrs. Campbell was presented with a gift in appreciation of her work with the junior choir. She responded to the presentation fittingly.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ROYAL EXCELLENT FINANCIAL SHAPE

It was announced by D. D. McQueen secretary-treasurer of the Municipal District of Royal, to a meeting of councillors held on Monday that all bank loans of the municipality had been paid on December 14th. It is the first time since 1926 that the district has been "out of the red" office records revealed. The municipal administration is to be congratulated on this achievement made during depression years.

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CONCERNING CHRISTMAS

What better can one do as the Christmas season approaches, than re-read the adventures of the four Pickwickians as they set forth to spend their Christmas at Dingley Dell. Charles Dickens, in his account of that exhilarating journey in the Muggleston coach, and the subsequent episodes, romantic and disastrous, ties up so much that is perennial in the spirit of Christmas.

Introducing the chapter, he says, "Christmas was close at hand, in all his bluff and hearty honesty; it was the season of hospitality, merriment and open heartedness; the old year was preparing, like an ancient philosopher, to call his friends round him, and amidst the sound of feasting and revelry, to pass gently and calmly away.

"And numerous indeed are the hearts to which Christmas brings a brief season of happiness and enjoyment. How many families, whose members have been dispersed and scattered far and wide, in the endless struggles of life are then re-united, and meet once again in that happy state of mutual goodwill, which is a source of such pure delight; and one so incompatible with the cares and sorrows of the world, that the religious belief of the most civilized nations and the rude traditions of the roughest savages, alike number it among the first joys of a future condition of existence, provided for the blest and happy. How many old recollections and how many dormant sympathies, does Christmas time awaken!

"Happy, happy Christmas, that can win us back to the delusions of our childish days; that can recall to the old man the pleasures of his youth; that can transport the sailor and the traveller, thousands of miles away, to his own fireside and his quiet home!"

And with this benign philosophizing, you remember, how Dickens carries Mr. Pickwick and his companions over the hard and frosty ground, to the warmth and jollity of Dingley Dell. There is the fat boy alternately stuffing himself and roasting himself. There is Mr. Winkle's romance with the young lady in the fur-topped boots, and his lamentable exhibition at the skating party. There is Mr. Pickwick lending his majestic presence to the dance floor and late the next morning having a confused recollection of inviting about forty-five people to dine with him at the George and Vulture. Even Samuel Weller was caught up in the general merriment and forsaking his usual caution "kissed Emma and all the other female servants, just as he caught them, under the mistletoe."

All the goodwill, the jollity and good cheer of the approaching season, are embodied in the Christmas pilgrimage of the Pickwick Club. It is an irresistible melody free of the limits of period and place.

FEWER MEMBERS

It seems unfortunate, but quite characteristic, that it is always the parties not in power which denounce party politics in the province. It is the parties not in power that seem to see the need of reduced membership in legislature.

It is true that Mr. George Hoadley before the last election, advocated a business council at Edmonton to replace the present large representation, but this was not supported, with any great enthusiasm by his party at that time. It could have been written in to the pre-election platform of the U.F.A.

Mr. Lymburn is the latest to support a round table conference of about twenty members, divorced from political affiliation. He denounces the party debates in legislature as a waste of time, but adds that only through force of public opinion could such a reform be brought about.

There is no question that public opinion is overwhelmingly in favor of a smaller representation, and has been for some time. But how can this be brought home to legislators? The only way seems to be by means of a definite pre-election demand, or by a redistribution of seats prior to another election.

The has long maintained that the provincial representation could follow the lines of federal electorates, thus eliminating need for any re-organization of electoral divisions. Seventeen members in the legislature would give every member full time action and responsibility and would clear away all excess legislative material. The occupational and industrial life of the province is not of a widely varied nature, and the population is small. Moreover distances have been greatly minimized in recent years and the old conditions of travel which justified to some extent the original representation of the province, no longer exist. Practically all parts are easily accessible by modern methods of communication or transportation.

It need scarcely be expected that any government is going to have the strength of mind to act in mid-term on this matter. The work of elimination would be difficult and would demand too great personal sacrifice for the members to accept gracefully, or at all. But no great headway in economizing will be made until the present lavish and unjustifiable representation is reduced.

INTER-PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE

Several matters were clarified at the recent dominion-provincial conference in Edmonton, and several resolutions were left at Ottawa to be dealt with by Parliament.

One matter which affects relief throughout the Dominion, is the acceptance by the federal government of a greater share of relief, with the object of lightening the burden on municipalities. In line with this action, is the census which will be taken early next year of all unemployed, and all unemployable, and a Dominion commission will be established to co-ordinate relief in Canada. Much of the trouble in handling relief has been due to the transient. Individuals and families move about throughout Canada, actuated in many instances by a quite sincere desire to find work. But this shifting movement of population has been dreaded by municipalities and is a matter which should be handled by a federal commission.

The Conference also decided to continue federal farm loan legislation, and approved solidly a maximum interest rate of four per cent.

The perennial question of the British North America Act made some progress. Many changes in relations between province and dominion are waiting action on this constitutional matter. By resolution the conference suggested that an imperial statute be obtained, approved by Dominion and Provincial Governments empowering the Dominion to amend the B.N.A. Act without recourse to the British parliament. This would give Canada a self-determination which it has not hitherto enjoyed, and which there is little likelihood that the British parliament will oppose.

The main difficulty has so far been Quebec, which has firmly opposed any changes in the B.N.A. Act. But at the final session of the Conference, Quebec gave evidence of changing its stand, and withdrawing traditional opposition. This in itself has been regarded as making the conference well worth while.

The resolution set out the basis on which amendments to the constitution might be made. In matters of mutual concern to the two governments or concerning the provinces exclusively, amendments would be made only by joint action of the house and senate, and of two thirds of the legislative bodies, representing 55 per cent. of the people of Canada. Other clauses dealt with minority rights senatorial refusal and so on. Action is expected as a result of this resolution.

A BRIGHTER PICTURE

So many startling pictures of the steady encroachment of the Great American desert have been made, and so many doleful predictions have been expressed, that it is doubly cheering to find a more hopeful view taken. L. B. Thomson of the Swift Current Experimental Station spoke in Lethbridge recently, and his viewpoint seems to strike a balance between those who see nothing ahead but sand buried farms, and those who lightheartedly ignore all need for precautionary measures.

Mr. Thomson is by birth a New Zealander, and says that after seeing real deserts in other parts of the world, he thought the term quite inapplicable to dry areas of the Canadian West. He does not like the term "drought," but would speak of certain areas as "plains areas." The trouble has been, he claims, that farmers have tried to make the climate fit the kind of agriculture they would like to engage in, rather than fitting their work to the climate.

What has been called the dry area, centres round the fourth meridian (Alberta's eastern boundary) over an area 200 miles north and south, by about 150 miles east and west. Although mistakes had been made in developing this area, the wealth that had been produced had been many times greater than the cost of mistakes. The present aim in rehabilitation is to create more permanence in wheat growing areas by development of small irrigation projects, to make stock water more available in range areas, and to continue steadily with regrassing projects.

Of the \$750,000 voted this year for water conservation, \$250,000 had been set aside for small projects, about half of which has been spent. There are already 571 of these small dams surveyed and approved for Southern Alberta. The Berry Creek district is an example of rehabilitation which is going ahead and will result eventually in restoring this country, mainly for stock raising. Confidence was expressed by Mr. Thomson that these projects, great and small, would conserve moisture and reclaim all land to useful purpose.

He was very hopeful also of regrassing projects. He predicted that in 1937, there would be sufficient wheat grass seed to restore much of the abandoned farm lands. He felt that no fear need be entertained that the Western plains area would become a desert. Proper methods of water conservation, etc., have been adopted in time, and the only requirement is that the farmer adjust his type of farming to the climate with which he has to work.

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PRIVY COUNCIL REJECTS APPEAL

The Privy Council of Britain, has rejected the appeal instituted by Mrs. Cora McPherson against her former husband, O. L. McPherson. This final attempt to set aside the divorce has been definitely turned down, by the highest court. Their Lordships, headed by Lord Blanesburgh, upheld Mr. Justice Tweedie in his conduct of the case.

Mrs. McPherson's appeal was based on the fact the decree nisi was granted by Mr. Justice T. M. Tweedie on April 22, 1931, after a private hearing in the judge's library at Edmonton.

The judicial committee, in a judgment read by Lord Blanesburgh, said that such a trial should be held in open court, but held that "to say such a decree is void seems out of the question. If the law so treated it the remedy would be worse than the disease."

Lord Blanesburgh began by observing that the appeal raised questions of wide general importance for the whole Dominion and even beyond.

Referring to facilities for access to court rooms on the one hand and the judge's library on the other, Lord Blanesburgh said there was a great difference. It remained a serious question whether the library swing doors, marked "private," were not effective bar to access to the library by an ordinary member of the public finding himself in the public corridor.

Their Lordships found Mr. Justice Tweedie, for the convenience of one witness who came from a distance, arranged to take the case on "that particular day." It was only a few minutes before the hour appointed the judgment continues, that he definitely selected the judge's library for the hearing.

Lord Blanesburgh said the proceedings took place during the luncheon interval, "probably as the most convenient hour for all concerned." Neither the judge nor counsel were robbed but in other respects the proceedings seemed to have been quite regular.

Before taking his seat, Lord Blanesburgh continued, Mr. Justice Tweedie stated he was sitting in open court and also directed one of those present to open and keep open the door leading from the library to the inner corridor.

"He evidently overlooked," said His Lordship, "the swing door outside. Probably, the door being rarely closed, he forgot the word 'private.'"

Their Lordships "join with everyone concerned in affirming their own belief in the complete bona fides of the learned judge in everything he did on this occasion. He stated to Mr. Justice Ewing that it was his desire to restrict publicity but not in any way out of regard for the feelings of or in deference to the respondent personally."

"The suggestion that the procedure is traceable to the fact that the respondent was a minister of the Crown is one easily made and readily accepted by credulous minds," declared Lord Blanesburgh. "It is right therefore that being unfounded it should be definitely repelled."

"Their Lordships unreservedly accept the statement of the learned judge and they believe it was unhealthy notoriety rather than normal publicity that he really desired to restrict."

"The respondent after all was the plaintiff and not the defendant in this undefined suit," the judgment continues. "He needed no protection and in view of his position it is satisfactory to record that the appellant's counsel disclaimed making any kind of reflection on the respondent in relation to any incident attending the trial."

Lord Blanesburgh said the actual presence of the public at a trial was never necessary.

The finding took up the fact that the judge and counsel were not officially robed at the trial, but found that "all appropriate ceremony" is not always observed in other places than Alberta.

"Their Lordships, however, in this case are not dealing with a decree nisi pronounced after a travesty of judicial proceedings, but with a decree pronounced after a serious trial free from every other defect in procedure, entered and remaining on the court files as regular in every respect. To say such a decree is void seems out of the question. If the law so treated it the remedy would be worse than the disease."—Calgary Herald.

HAVE YOU HEARD THIS ONE

'Plaint of a Negress
Dere aint no justice in dis lan'
Ah gets divorce from mah ole man.
Ah has to laugh at de couht's decision,
Dey give him de kids—an' de kids ain't his'n!

MANKIND IS A VENTURE (Contributed)

I never knew a man so bad
That of him no good could be said.
Nor one so good that no one could
Defame him in his neighborhood.
We're all a mixture, more or less,
Of vice and virtue. Some excess
Of one or other sets the seal
Of bad or good, for woe or weal.
A little of Old Nick won't hurt you
If you marry a noble virtue.
And he is like a berg of ice
Who has not one redeeming vice.

Negotiations for revision of the
Canada-France trade treaty will be
commenced shortly by Senator Dan-
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Elk Pucksters

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The Elks had the edge of play all the time. McCartney starred for the locals, scoring two tallies unassisted. Mainland in the local nets played a perfect game, turning away the Macleod attack time after time. The contest was marred by an accident in the first frame when Harper, Elks' defenseman, received a nasty cut in the left cheek that required three stitches. He retired for the game and will probably be out of the next few contests.

The summary given below shows how the scoring went.

The Teams

Macleod Arties — J. McGee, M. Crowe, B. Lannar, D. MacKintosh, B. Field, M. Krichuk, J. Nash, B. Kennedy, A. Graham, S. Graham.

Vulcan Elks—Mainland, Laroche, D. Latiff, Harper, McCartney, D. Thomas, Gourlay, S. Thomas, D. Thomas.

Referees—C. Field, Macleod, Ed. Deman, Vulcan.

The Summary

First period—1, Vulcan, Gourlay (Laroche) 12:00.

Second period—2, Macleod, Crowe (Krichuk) 10:00; 3, Vulcan, McCrae (Gourlay), 19:00.

Third period—4, Vulcan, McCartney, 9:00; 5, Vulcan, McCartney, 12; 6, Macleod, Field, 13:30; 7, Vulcan, D. Thomas, 17:00.

Penalties — First period — Nash, Laroche, D. Thomas, all 2 minutes. Second period—Field, Laroche, S. Thomas, J. Graham, Crowe, Laroche, 3 minutes. Third period—McRae.

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Glancing Over

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first ascertaining that it was in line with what the new government desired. There must have been some strong influence exerted to induce Mr. LaPointe to take the stand he took while acting Premier.

This is the centenary of Andrew Carnegie as well as Mark Twain. Twain wrote books that are found in libraries built by Carnegie. Twenty years ago, a Canadian consulted a Scot who was then in charge of the Carnegie Foundation. He wanted to get a Carnegie Library for his city. The manager showed him a list of towns in Canada that were defaulting on the terms of the Foundation. We cannot recall the figures, but it was shameful enough. The old Scot told him he had intended to publish them but Canada had gone into the war and had done so nobly that he was proud of her and the figures never were published.

Le Soleil, the Liberal organ in Quebec, scores the Roman Catholic church for bringing the government to the verge of defeat. We gather from the tone of the article that unless the church is prepared to continue supporting the government it should keep out of politics altogether.

A newspaper says that oil causes more international strife than any other commodity. It's the stormy petrol all right.

After every election, the defeated party takes consolation in the large popular vote it received. In Prince Edward Island the Liberals with 52 per cent. of the popular vote won every seat in the Island. In the federal elections the Conservatives polled 1,220,250 votes and elected only 39

members. The fact is that any organization, a church, a fraternal society or an occupational group, swinging from one side to the other, can decide the fate of a government. A general slump of one-half of one per cent. of the voters will do the trick in a country where the two major parties are nearly equal in strength, and give a surprising majority to the victor.

Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett in a message to his supporters, says "We were entrusted with the government of Canada during the greatest crisis in our country's history." It was a trying, stressful period, but history will probably declare that Sir Robert Borden was at the head of the government of Canada during its greatest crisis.

Italy did not like the other sanctions but when oil was mentioned, she said that meant hostilities. If we had not known it before, this would have convinced us that the way to cripple Italy's war efforts is to curtail her oil supply.

A lumberman in Windsor, Ontario, died in 1929 and his estate was probated at \$2,800,000. An audit made recently revealed a balance of \$100,000. Death duties and other taxes, plus a decline in lumber and land values, were responsible for the shrinkage.

A printing firm is suing two officers of the Reconstruction party to secure payment of a bill for over \$8000. The firm could not have heard Reconstructionists boasting they had no campaign funds.

The new Governor-General is said to be quite a hiker and has walked 67 miles in one day over the Scottish moors. The automobile industry may be expected to protest against this unfavorable propaganda. — Hanover Post.

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 Leather Belts, 50c to \$1.50
 Fancy Dress Socks, 35c pr. and up
 Fancy Wool or Silk Scarfs, 65c up
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There has been a stir in oil stocks recently which has roused the prediction of another boom. The greatest interest centres around the Ranchmen's well at Aldersyde which is very much in public favor. Although authoritative information on this well is elusive, there is a general impression that it is likely to realize all that has been expected of it, in the proving of a new and valuable structure. Quite a number of doubting Thomases have been making recent efforts to get in on the stock, and there are continual subterranean rumors, that big news is almost ready to break.

Since many of the shareholders are people resident in this district, there is great local interest attached to news and also to rumors. The belief of many is that the Ranchmen's will prove that the great crude oil body is centred in the Aldersyde area.

Immediate Test

Immediate test of the Aldersyde structure where the Ranchmen's Oil and Gas Company, Limited, is believed to have proven the existence of an oil field, was announced Tuesday, according to the Calgary Herald.

The new well will be drilled by the Globe Development Company, Limited, two and a half miles south-west of the Ranchmen's well, and will be called Globe Royalties No. 1.

Negotiations for the purchase of standard heavy duty equipment were completed Tuesday and plans made to move it to the site Wednesday. As

soon as possible thereafter the well will be spudded.

The Ranchmen's well has encountered a considerable quantity of oil which is said to be unique in Alberta. It ranges from a white to green color and has been used in automobiles with most satisfactory results, according to officials of the company.

The Globe company believes that their new test is located nearer the centre of the structure and results may be obtained at a comparatively shallow depth, the Herald was informed.

Monday was the biggest trading day the Stock Exchange had had since July 1933, with 94,318 shares traded.

One hundred and sixty hogs were shipped from Calgary stockyards to Seattle at a price well above local prices. This is the first shipment in many months.

The starting of work on the new absorption plant of the British American Oil Company has created activity and interest in a new part of the South Turner Valley field.

Norway and Sweden provide us with a lesson that nations need no heavy armaments, provided they have no uncomposed causes for quarrels with other nations.—Kincardine Review.

The physical volume of Canadian business during the 10 months ended October 31 was 7.5 per cent. higher than for the corresponding period of last year and 29 per cent above that of the similar period of 1933, the Dominion bureau of statistics reported recently.

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